## **Maintenance Bed Bug Key**



You should know what bed bugs look like in all stages of development and where they may be found. While beds are a primary hiding place for bed bugs, they may also be found behind baseboards, crown molding, and other trim, inside wall voids and outlets or even under carpets.



You should know that adult bed bugs are rarely seen during the day. So if a single bed bug is spotted, its likely a newly-hatched nymph. While performing maintenance during the day look for a smaller 1mm, pale insect. If it has recently fed, it may have a bright red abdomen.



Be on the lookout for black excrement that often appears speckled and clings to surfaces. Excrement is commonly found in creases of objects and other dark locations like under furniture. Blood stains may also be found and could appear red, brown, or tan.



Shed skins are commonly found in areas that bed bugs are trafficking through. So if you find a shed skin, you may soon find living bed bugs as well. Along with that, bed bug eggs may be scattered about or in a clump near these areas. They are extremely tiny and white in coloration but are usually found near excrement and shed skins.

Any sightings of anything described above should be reported to the leasing office and a professional pest inspection should be conducted.